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PART – I

Notifications, Orders and Declarations by Haryana Government

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA
Nirvachan Sadan, Plot No. 2, Sector- 17, Panchkula, Haryana – 134109

Order

The 11th May, 2021

No. SEC/3ME/2021/1095.— Whereas, Ms. Usha Rani, had contested the election from Ward No.19 of Municipal Corporation, Karnal, held on 16.12.2018. She was disqualified by the Commission *vide* order No. SEC/3ME/2021/402-423, dated 13.01.2021 due to non submission of election expenditure statement within the prescribed time limit.

2. Whereas, Ms. Usha Rani has filed a representation against the above referred order. She has pleaded that the expenditure register has been daily checked by the Account Officer deputed with the Expenditure Observer, however, due to some mis-happening in her family, she was unable to submit the same within the prescribed time limit. After the show cause notice was issued by the Commission on 22.02.2019, the original document (expenditure statement) has been submitted by her to the Deputy Superintendent of LFA branch of Deputy Commissioner office, Karnal on 03.06.2019. She has prayed for withdrawal of disqualification order referred to above.

3. Whereas, section 8F of the Haryana Municipal Corporation Act, 1994 provides as under:-

“8F. Removal or reduction of period of disqualification - The State Election Commission may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, remove or reduce the period of disqualification under Section 8E.”

4. I have examined the election expenditure statement filed by Ms. Usha Rani, which is within the prescribed expenditure limit as prescribed by the State Election Commission, Haryana *vide* its order No. SEC/3ME/2017/879, dated 18.05.2017. So far as filing the election expenditure beyond the prescribed time limit is concerned, I have gone through her representation and office record carefully. Taking a lenient view in the matter, I hereby order to remove her disqualification and also withdraw her name from the list of disqualified candidates issued *vide* order No. SEC/3ME/2021/402-423, dated 13.01.2021.

DHANPAT SINGH,
State Election Commissioner, Haryana.